

GERMANS WIN AND LOSE

DODD'S RUSH CARRIES HIM ALL OUT OF REACH

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East of Meuse River Germans
Are Driven Back by the
French with Losses.

EFFORT SPENDING ITSELF

French Expect History to Re-
peat Itself with Return to
Normal Trench Warfare.

BERLIN, April 11.—British troops made a strong hand grenades attack Monday night against the German positions south of St. Eloi, near Ypres, but the attack was repulsed and the position is firmly held by the Germans, according to the official statement issued at the war office Tuesday.

PARIS, April 11.—On the west bank of the Meuse the Germans made an attack Monday night on Dead Man's hill, advancing from Corbeaux wood. They obtained a footing in a few small elements of trenches, the war office announced Tuesday, but otherwise were repulsed.

East of the Meuse the Germans attacked trenches south of Douaumont village, but were beaten back with considerable losses. There was violent bombardment of Douaumont and Vaux.

The crown prince's supreme effort for the capture of Verdun as the military observers characterize the operations, which began on Sunday to the west of the Meuse, is spending itself against the stout and intelligent defense of the French.

The observers point out that when the assault begins that he has failed to attain his objective he invariably delivers an extended assault with great violence before lapsing into normal trench warfare. Such was the German attack during the battle of Ypres on November 10, five days before the battle ended, and the first French battle in Champagne on March 18, 1915, also closed with a violent assault. In these operations the assailants hope to surprise the defenders by an unexpected effort and wrest from him by taking him unawares the reward of their own sacrifices. General Petain, the French commander at Verdun, was not caught napping but foresaw the possibility of such a move and straightened and strengthened his line in anticipation of it.

The battle continued but with a perceptible dwindling of its violence. The French commanders plan is to engage the least possible number of men so as to retain the maximum number of formation for the ulterior operations which are to be entered upon at a moment which he will consider opportune and which will probably be decided upon by him when he considers that the Germans have wasted all the men they are willing to sacrifice.

Since the beginning of the battle the Germans have employed thirty-two divisions, it is asserted, and it is impossible for them long to continue their efforts on the present scale. A radical change is looked for shortly.

MANY FRENCH CAPTURED IN FIGHTING AT VERDUN

BERLIN, April 11.—Since February 21, the Germans have captured more than 26,000 French in the fighting around Verdun. It was announced Monday.

"West of the Meuse, about twenty-five square kilometers of ground has been occupied," the announcement says.

"German newspapers point out that the French now say that Bethincourt was evacuated in accordance with plans previously made. Nevertheless it has been ascertained that an order was issued stating:

"This importance place must be held in all circumstances."

"The fact that more than 700 wounded French prisoners were taken and that the French losses in killed or wounded were far greater, is proof that the French plan of evacuation could not be carried out as intended."

CANDY BEING MAILED TO AMERICAN TROOPERS.

COLUMBUS, N. M., April 10.—Publication of reports that American soldiers in the Mexican field have asked for consignments of candy have brought responses from young men in almost every section of the United States. Every mail and almost every express train arriving in Columbus bring parcels of candy addressed to the "Soldiers at the front."

Miss Lillian Russell Webb, of West Pike street, left this morning for Philadelphia, where she will study music for several weeks.

BARBED WIRE ROOF COVERS TELEGRAPH POSITION AT VERDUN



Telegraph position protected by barbed wire in advanced French trench at Verdun.

Telegraphy plays an extremely important part in the warfare of today. Every position is directly connected with headquarters by either the telephone or by a telegraph line. In this way all moves of the enemy are quickly transmitted.

TO BREAK WILL

Is the Object of a Suit Brought
in the Circuit Court of
Ohio County.

WHEELING, April 11.—The fight for millions of Henry Schmulbach, the late brewer, has been begun in the circuit court here. The action in the case was brought by Miss Annie Fellers, a young St. Mary's girl, who is a second cousin of the deceased, but it is said that back of the case are a number of employees of the late brewer who were disappointed in the small bequests left them.

Schmulbach's estate is estimated at between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 and the bulk of it went to his widow, a former dressmaker, whom he married a short time before his death. Former employees of the late brewer claim that during his life they had been told by Schmulbach that they would be left large sums in his will and they expect, it is said, to bring forth a previous will, made before Schmulbach's marriage, in which they receive large bequests.

Attorneys John A. Howard and James A. Ritz appear for Miss Fellers and Judge Frank W. Nesbitt and Nelson Hubbard for the proponents. The contestant alleges undue influences and mental incapacity. The hearing is expected to continue at least ten days. Schmulbach's last will was dated about three months before his death last August.

SENATE GETS AFTER STANDARD OCTOPUS

Unanimously Adopts a Resolu-
tion to Have All Probe Re-
ports Brought In.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Without debate the Senate Tuesday adopted a resolution by Senator Kenyon, Republican, directing the attorney general, if not incompatible with public interest, to submit to the Senate all reports of investigation made by the department into the Standard Oil Company since the supreme court decree of dissolution against that company and particularly any investigation into gasoline prices.

Senator Kenyon had read to the Senate resolutions adopted by the Western Oil Jobbers Association at St. Louis, petitioning Congress to supplement the Sherman law to make effective the decree of dissolution against the Standard Oil Company and declaring it to be the sense of the association that the dissolution decree was a failure.

A letter to Senator Kenyon from R. S. Welch, counsel for the association, declared independent oil jobbers of the middle West would be driven out of business and face financial ruin unless an end was brought to discriminatory prices of gasoline dictated by the Standard Oil Company.

On April 9, the letter said, the gas-

JEWISH PASSOVER COMES NEXT WEEK

Celebration of First Festival of
Education in History is to
Be Held by the Jews.

The Pesach or Passover, a Jewish religious period, will begin Monday evening. It will be observed seven days by the reform and eight days by the orthodox congregations.

It is the first festival of emancipation in the history of civilization. Its commemoration is based on the Biblical narrative which tells how the people of Israel enslaved in Egypt were led from bondage to freedom by the great leader Moses.

The Passover festival speaks for the sanctity of the home as well as for self-respect and liberty. The Jews accordingly assemble in their homes on this festival, and signalize it by a solemn service in which the story of the ancient struggle for emancipation is recounted with pious fervor. This seder, as it is called, is unique in spirit and form. It is earnest and yet happy, and its ritual, though archaic, symbolizes the facts of human experience in all conditions of life. The roasted bone reminiscent of the paschal lamb of the first Passover; the bitter herbs calling to mind the hard labor of the Israelite slaves; the unleavened bread, known as the "bread of affliction," symbolizing the hasty departure from Egypt; the roasted egg, recall-

ing the individual sacrifice which was offered in the temple; the mixture of grated apple, nuts and wine, suggesting the clay from which bricks were made by the enslaved people; and the parsley and salt water, symbolic of growth and the fertilizing freshness of spring, invest the domestic ceremony with a real and forceful meaning. A beautiful and most suggestive part of the service is the Open Door, through which the messianic prophet Elijah enters every home that night, a splendid expression of the great idea which the prophets of Israel announced will become real some day when men will cease to hate and begin to do justice.

It is customary to remove all leaven out of the household in preparation for the feast. Leaven is the symbol of the sordid, and refers to those who are unemancipated from the commonplace things. During the feast, only matzoth and not bread, are eaten. The distinctive spirit of the feast finds expression even in the specific food.

The Haggadah, the order of the domestic service, read on the night when the family gathers about the common table, comprises the narrative of the exodus from Egypt, the account of the oppression which the ancient Israelites endured, and in more recent times in the midst of the unkind nations. The Haggadah also includes a special group of psalms (CXIII-CXVIII) and a number of medieval poems.

The Passover is the most ancient of the Jewish holidays, and perhaps the most ancient of all holidays in the history of religion, and no holiday is so near to the truth of human life as it is.

The favorite book for reading during the Passover week is the "Song of Songs." It is the most classical song of love in canonical literature and is read on this festival because, according to the traditional view, it speaks the love between God and Israel.

PIORI ON TRIAL

Bruno Piori was placed on trial Tuesday morning in the criminal court, charged with having sold liquor. A rule was issued against John Siers for failure to appear as a witness in the Lloyd Duff case.

TO PREACH SERMON.

The Rev. P. A. O'Doherty, of the church of the Immaculate Conception went to Oakland, Md., Tuesday, where he will preach a Lenten sermon at the Catholic church there Tuesday night.

FOUR SEAMEN DROWNED.

LONDON, April 11.—A Reuter despatch from Madrid says that four of the members of the crew of the Spanish steamer Santanderino, which is reported to have been sunk by a torpedo, have been landed at St. Jean de Luz.

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BRITISH CRUISER

Off Cape Henry is Reported by
Passengers on Steamship
Metapan on Arrival.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)

NEW YORK, April 11.—The presence of a British cruiser off Cape Henry, was told of by passengers on the United Fruit Company's steamship Metapan, which arrived here Tuesday from Colon and Havana. The warship of the Essex class was observed Monday in pursuit of a tramp steamer. The cruiser fired one shot, whereupon the freighter, which had been flying no flag, ran up the Union Jack, and the warship abandoned the chase.

Dr. John Law, of the local dental fraternity, is to attend the state dental meeting in Charleston the latter part of the week.

FORT BLISS THINKS DODD HAS ENGAGED VILLA FORCES

PEOPLE FLOCK TO HEAR EVANGELIST

FUNERAL OF MR. COFFMAN ON TOMORROW

Shinnston Schools Will Close as
a Tribute of Respect to a
Former Teacher.

Everett G. Coffman, aged 25 years, one of the promising young men of this county, is dead at his father's home near Dola. About one year ago, while teaching in the Shinnston high school he contracted lagrippe, which later developed into tuberculosis, and in November of last year was forced to give up school work. He had the best of the medical profession of this city for his relief, and a change of climate was desired, but the disease developed so fast and swiftly it was impossible for him to leave his home.

He leaves surviving him Phipps W. Coffman, his father; Tabitha Coffman, his mother, and Madue Baker, his sister; Zona Coffman, another sister, having departed this life some years ago. He was a cousin of I. Wade Coffman, clerk of the circuit and criminal courts of this county; Charles G. Coffman, attorney-at-law; Mrs. E. F. Rogers and D. Ray Rogers, of Meigs avenue; Homer W. Williams, lawyer, and Joe Williams, of the O'Neale Printing Company, all of this city.

He was born and reared on a farm near Dola and early in life started out to acquire an education. As a boy in the country school he showed marked ability and easily led his classes. His desire for knowledge was so great, after ending all the books in his father's home, he was constantly borrowing books from neighbors. His grasp of knowledge obtained from books was so rapid that he obtained a certificate to teach school at the age of sixteen. After teaching school for some time he then attended Wesleyan College at Buckhannon, and in 1913 graduated from that institution with high honors. Since that time he has been teaching in the Shinnston high school and attending the state university during the summer.

During his school work at Shinnston he made numerous friends, both in and out of his profession, and was considered by all who knew him a young man of promising attainment. So great was his desire for knowledge he never stopped until he went to the very bottom of affairs. Early in life he became a member of the Temple Baptist church at Rosebud, and has always been looked upon as a model young man, who overcame difficulties by hard work and honest effort.

Funeral services will be conducted at his father's home tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock, and the interment will take place at the Rittenhouse cemetery near Dola. In commemoration of the high regard and esteem of his many friends and acquaintances, the Shinnston schools will be closed tomorrow and many of the teachers and pupils will attend the funeral in a body. The Short Line train will convey all parties from Shinnston and this city who may desire to attend the funeral.

BIG INTEREST

Is Being Taken in Sale of Jer-
sey Cattle to Be Held at
Gore Farms.

More than ordinary interest is being taken by farmers and dairymen in the first annual public sale of Jersey cattle which has been announced by Gore Brothers. It will take place Thursday on the Gore Farms northwest of the city with Thomas Dempsey and Col. Perry doing the selling.

There are 100 head of registered Jersey cattle in the lot that is to be sold and it is said to be a splendid lot with a number of imported and strictly bred island cows included. In addition, twelve to fifteen head of extra select grade Jersey cows in milk will be sold to any who may be interested in excellent producers of the Gore farms grade herd. An advertisement in the Telegram gives particulars of the offerings.

A large attendance is expected at this sale, which, if successful, will likely be continued every year.

At the St. Paul's Great Revival
Meetings Tell How to
Stay Married.

A great congregation assembled at the St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, South, last evening to hear the Rev. Mr. Jackson deliver his famous lecture on "How to Stay Married." After a short, but very interesting, song service, the opening prayer was led by the Rev. Dr. King, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church.

The people came in great droves until every available space was filled with chairs and the aisles were lined with interested listeners and many were turned away.

The Rev. Mr. Jackson began in his usual pleasant way to discuss one of the greatest subjects which confronts the American people today. He spoke in part as follows:

"The home life has stood for many generations as God's greatest institution for character building. Most of us to this day could join in 'spirit and truth' John Howard Payne's 'Home, Sweet Home'; but the old-fashioned home is being assaulted today in all sorts of new-fashioned manners. Zeppelins from above, submarines from beneath and a dangerous fleet all around us. If we stay married right, it will be because we recognize the fact that the home is grounded in our deepest nature, and is essential to all our highest interests."

Then the preacher plunged into his subject as one who had a message and was impelled by the highest motives to deliver it. The subject was discussed under the following divisions, namely: First, 'Married Life is No Joke.' Here the evangelist assailed the light way in which some people entered this sacred relation. Second, 'Married Life is Not a Fiction. Headless prodigals and heartless dolls who drift into this relationship never find a happy married life. Getting married is a serious business.'

Third, 'Some Hindrances to a Happy Home Life.' Under this heading were discussed, "fault finding," "indifference," and the "sacredness of personality." Then Mr. Jackson closed with a discussion of 'Helps to Live the Happy Home Life.' First, "conform your life to realities. It is better for a newly-married couple having money to pay for but one chair to use that one chair and sit the closer, hold the tighter and the whole world will grow the brighter. No woman can love an old skinflint. Anybody can love a noble soul." Then the speaker closed with an earnest appeal to live the beautiful life. This does not mean beautiful furnishings, but the beautiful spirit in which we live out these relations.

Following the sermon the congregation was dismissed by the pastor, but the way it lingered indicated that an intense interest was being felt in the service.

The great crowds which were turned away last night indicates further the imperative need of the new church building. The St. Paul's congregation contemplates building. The church has increased exactly one hundred per cent in membership in the last two and a half years.

A meeting for women only is to be held at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the church. All women of the city are cordially invited.

MEMORIAL OCCASION IN THE FEDERAL COURT

Feeling Tributes of Respect
Are Paid the Late John J.
Davis, of This City.

The opening of the April term of federal court here Tuesday morning was an impressive memorial occasion. Short tributes were paid the late John J. Davis, a member of the court bar many years and a set of resolutions the same as those adopted by the Harrison County Bar Association was read and ordered spread on the court records.

The court then had the names of the jurors to serve during the term called and then adjournment was taken until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. The following jurors reported for duty:

Lloyd A. Anderson, Pages B. Bennett, Earl R. Pigott, Walter W. Mills, David W. Timberlake, William L. Winfield, Ferdinand Gore, Charles M. Ernst, Marcus V. Miller, John D. Thomas, Levi M. Harris, John O. Morgan, James L. Rinehart, Camden Molohan, Mortimer Langford, Beona Barker, George Lee Bush, James Frame, Isaac N. George, Alonzo Adams, Truman A. Mason, Charles Bee, John W. Hitt, A. J. Garlow,

Reports Are Current That Bat-
tle Has Been Fought with
Villa Bands.

BUT LITTLE APPREHENSION

Dodd's Men Can Fight Them-
selves Out of Any Uncom-
fortable Position.

EL PASO, Tex., April 11.—The southward rush of the American cavalry forces pursuing Francisco Villa has been so rapid that it has carried Colonel Dodd and his troops far beyond all lines of communication. Officials of the Carranza government today to gain information over the Mexican land lines in regard to the advanced position of the American troops. No official word of the whereabouts of the advance guard has been received for days.

Army officers at Fort Bliss believe that when the expeditionary commanders get in touch with Major General Funston they will report that the American troops have engaged the Villa forces in battle. Reports that a battle has been fought with Villa bands south of Satevo were current today, but there was nothing to confirm these reports. While the American cavalry is combating the country at the far end of the attenuated line of communication, there was little apprehension over their position, for it was felt at Fort Bliss that Dodd's men could fight themselves out of any uncomfortable position.

UNCONFIRMED REPORTS OF THE DEATH OF VILLA

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Unofficial and unconfirmed reports that Villa is dead reached the Carranza embassy Tuesday and were given some degree of credence by officials there.

The reports were represented as having come from Queretaro, General Carranza's provisional capital.

They were unsubstantiated by the latest despatches to the war and state departments. The circumstantial report of Villa's recent injury, however, and the rigors of his long and hurried flight in which he has been variously reported as being carried on a litter, on the shoulders of his men or in a carriage over the rough Mexican trails, gave some color to the possibility that the bandit chieftain may have been unable to survive the hardships of the fight in his disabled condition.

Official estimates of the number of troops in Mexico and on the border available for an emergency were given at the war department today. General Scott, chief of staff, announced that 13,565 troops now constitute the border patrol.

How greatly the mobile army has been drawn upon for the Mexican expedition and border service was also disclosed by General Scott. He estimated that only 4,000 troops remain in the United States, not engaged on the border.

FIGHT IS ENDING.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The annual fight in the House over the rivers and harbors appropriation bill was drawing to a close when work was resumed on the measure today. Only a few minor details remained to be worked out and prospects were that the bill would be passed during the day. The measure appropriates approximately \$40,000,000.

MILL BLOWS UP

One Man Killed and Two Others
Are Injured in Du Pont
Powder Works.

SCRANTON, Pa., April 11.—The press mill of the Du Pont powder works at Moosic, near here, blew up Tuesday, killing one man, David Miller. Two other men, James T. Brown and Charles Maurer, who were getting ready to go on the day's shift, suffered slight injuries. The explosion was heard all through the Lackawanna valley.

ELKS WILL MEET.

The local lodge of Elks will meet at 8 o'clock tonight in regular weekly session. The new officers will be in their chairs. A full attendance of the membership is desired. Visiting Elks will be welcome.

Hough Bayless, H. W. Fleming, D. N. Morris and Samuel A. Shafer.